

MINUTES ADOPTED BY CITY COUNCIL

Greenville, NC
May 8, 2003

The Greenville City Council met in a regular meeting on the above date at 7:00 PM in the City Council Chambers, third floor of the Municipal Building, with Mayor Robert D. Parrott presiding. The meeting was called to order, followed by the invocation by Council Member Little and the pledge of allegiance to the flag. The following were present.

Mayor Robert D. Parrott
Mayor Pro-Tem Ric Miller
Council Member Mildred A. Council
Council Member Ray Craft
Council Member Pat Dunn
Council Member Rose H. Glover
Council Member Chip Little
Marvin W. Davis, City Manager
Wanda T. Elks, City Clerk
David A. Holec, City Attorney

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion was made by Council Member Little and seconded by Council Member Council to approve the agenda as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

Mr. Frank Coburn was presented a plaque upon his retirement with 30 years of service with the City of Greenville Fire/Rescue Department.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Citizens Advisory Commission on Cable Television

Mayor Pro-Tem Miller requested that the appointment to the Citizens Advisory Commission on Cable Television be continued until June 2003.

Environmental Advisory Commission

Motion was made by Council Member Glover and seconded by Council Member Council to appoint F. Durward Tyson, Jr. for a first three-year term expiring April 2006, replacing Donnie Brewer, who is ineligible for appointment for the engineer slot; and to continue the appointment until June to replace Elaine Anderson, who is ineligible for reappointment. Motion carried unanimously.

Planning and Zoning Commission

Motion was made by Council Member Craft and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Miller to appoint Mark Hayes as a regular member for a first three-year term expiring May 31, 2006 replacing Myles Cartrette and to reappoint Jay Yates for a second three-year term to expire May 31, 2006. Motion carried unanimously.

Police Community Relations Committee

Council Member Glover continued the appointment until June for District #2 to replace James Streeter, who resigned.

Public Transportation and Parking Commission

Council Member Dunn requested that the appointment to the Public Transportation Commission be continued until June.

ORDINANCE REZONING HMM INVESTMENTS PROPERTY LOCATED NORTH OF SR 1467, SOUTH OF MACGREGOR DOWNS ROAD, AND WEST OF B'S BARBEQUE ROAD, FROM MRS TO CG - ADOPTED

City Manager Davis reported that a notice of public hearing was published in The Daily Reflector on March 3 and March 10, 2003 setting this time, date and place for a public hearing to consider a request by HMM Investments to rezone a 45.33 acre tract located north of SR 1467 (formerly US 264 Business), south of MacGregor Downs Road, and west of B's Barbeque Road, from MRS to CG. At its February 18, 2003 meeting, the Planning and Zoning Commission voted to recommend approval of the request. A protest petition was made for the original request and a letter was received that withdrew one of the names from the petition. Because the percentage of the adjacent property owners that signed the protest petition is now less than 20 percent, it is no longer valid.

Mr. Harry Hamilton, City Planner, delineated the property on a map and stated that the property was zoned MD-7 (currently MRS) in conjunction with an extraterritorial jurisdiction extension in 1986. The property to the east and south was rezoned from MRS to CG in September 2002. The property is located within the SR 1467/US Highway 264 Bypass regional commercial focus area, which is intended to serve the medical district. The request is in compliance with the comprehensive plan.

Upon being asked about the wetlands, Mr. Hamilton stated that a certain portion of the soil has a kind of soil that can potentially mean wetlands; however, most of the area off of the interchange in the southwest quadrant may contain those soils, but that doesn't mean they are wetlands.

Mayor Parrott declared the public hearing open and solicited comments from the audience.

Mr. Stanley Sams, representing the petitioner, stated that this request is in compliance with the Comprehensive Plan. The developers have met with representatives of the neighborhood to try to address their concerns, and it is his understanding that those concerns have been satisfactorily

addressed. In terms of the questions raised about the soil, his clients are aware that there may be some areas that may not be developable.

Upon being asked if the residents are satisfied with the proposed buffer, Mr. Sams replied that he is aware of the buffer and has had several conversations with Donnie Brewer, who is acting on behalf of the property owners.

There being no further comments, the public hearing was closed.

Motion was made by Council Member Craft and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Miller to adopt the ordinance rezoning a 45.33 acre tract located north of SR 1467 (formerly US 264 Business), south of MacGregor Downs Road, and west of B's Barbeque Road, from MRS to CG. Motion carried unanimously. (Ordinance No. 03-38)

ORDINANCE REZONING JOSEPH D. SPEIGHT PROPERTY LOCATED ADJACENT TO THE WESTERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF US HIGHWAY 264 (GREENVILLE BOULEVARD), NORTH OF HASTINGS FORD, AND WEST OF THE BEST WESTERN HOTEL AS FOLLOWS : TRACT 1 FROM RA20 TO CH AND TRACT 2 FROM RA20 TO OR - ADOPTED

City Manager Davis reported that a notice of public hearing was published in The Daily Reflector on April 28 and May 5, 2003 setting this time, date and place for a public hearing to consider a request by Joseph D. Speight to rezone two tracts totaling 15.313 acres located adjacent to the western right-of-way of US Highway 264, north of Hastings Ford, and west of the Best Western Hotel as follows: Tract 1, containing 3.00 acres, from RA20 to CH and Tract 2, containing 12.313 acres, from RA20 to OR At its April 15, 2003 meeting, the Planning and Zoning Commission voted to recommend denial of the request. City Manager Davis read the following letter that was received from Michael Baldwin.

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Baldwin and Associates

MEMORANDUM

May 8, 2003

TO: Mr. Marvin Davis, City Manager

FROM: Michael W. Baldwin, PLS

REF: Joseph D. Speight Rezoning on Greenville Boulevard

Please amend our rezoning request petition to 11.012 acres of OR (Office/Residential) as shown on the map entitled “Rezoning Map for Joseph D. Speight” last revised on May 7, 2003.

Thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter.

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City Manager Davis stated that it is staff's recommendation to accept the amended request and to hold the public hearing on the amended request.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Miller and seconded by Council Member Council to accept the amended request and to hold the public hearing on the amended request. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hamilton delineated the property on a map and stated that this site includes the former River View Mobile Home Park with one driveway entrance. The Land Use Plan recommends commercial development in proximity to the intersection of Tenth Street and Greenville Boulevard with high intensity development on the upland area transitioning into conservation/open space in the floodplain areas approaching the Tar River. The conservation/open space area should follow the floodplain on this property. The Tar River Redevelopment Plan approved by City Council in 2000 recommends that high-density development be restricted from the floodplain areas. Traffic will be substantially less with the change in the request. There is no commercial property involved. The request is in general compliance with the Land Use Plan, which recommends offices and high-density multi-family residential along the north.

Mayor Parrott declared the public hearing open and solicited comments from the audience.

Mr. Mike Baldwin stated that the owner of this property has it under contract with someone from South Carolina for a student housing complex. He thanked the Council for allowing the request to be amended. The request meets the five criteria for zoning map amendments.

There being no further comments, the public hearing was closed.

Motion was made by Council Member Craft and seconded by Council Member Council to adopt the ordinance rezoning two tracts totaling 15.313 acres located adjacent to the western right-of-way of US Highway 264, north of Hastings Ford, and west of the Best Western Hotel as follows: Tract 1, containing 3.00 acres, from RA20 to CH and Tract 2, containing 12.313 acres, from RA20 to OR. Motion carried unanimously. (Ordinance No. 03-39)

ORDINANCE REZONING DEREK A. SANDERSON PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE
SOUTHEAST CORNER OF NORTH GREENE STREET AND MARTIN STREET FROM CG
TO CH - ADOPTED

City Manager Davis reported that a notice of public hearing was published in The Daily Reflector on April 28 and May 5, 2003 setting this time, date and place for a public hearing to consider a request by Derek A. Sanderson to rezone a 0.706 acre lot located on the southeast corner of North Greene Street and Martin Street from CG to CH. The Planning and Zoning Commission voted to recommend approval of the request at its April 15, 2003 meeting.

Mr. Hamilton delineated the property on a map and stated that this property was originally zoned heavy commercial in 1969 and rezoned to downtown commercial fringe in 1983 as part of a

large rezoning that involved all the properties along the frontage of North Greene Street. In 1995 the property was rezoned at the request of the property owner to general commercial and has been used as a pawnshop. The applicants are asking that the property be rezoned back to the 1969 heavy commercial category. The property is located within the floodplain area and is in compliance with the comprehensive plan. Commercial development is encouraged instead of residential development in this area.

Mayor Parrott declared the public hearing open and solicited comments from the audience.

Mr. Mike Baldwin stated that the purchaser desires to put a car lot on this property. All criteria for rezoning have been met.

There being no further comments, the public hearing was closed.

Motion was made by Council Member Council and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Miller to adopt the ordinance rezoning a 0.706 acre lot located on the southeast corner of North Greene Street and Martin Street from CG to CH. Motion carried unanimously. (Ordinance No. 03-40)

ORDINANCE AMENDING “ARTICLE J, PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT [PUD]” AND “ARTICLE K, LAND USE INTENSITY (LUI) DEVELOPMENT” BY DELETING MAXIMUM PUBLIC HEARING REVIEW AND ACTION PERIOD, WHICH CURRENTLY REQUIRES PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION TO TAKE FINAL ACTION ON PUD AND LUI SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATIONS WITHIN SIXTY-FIVE DAYS OF THE INITIAL HEARING DATE - ADOPTED

City Manager Davis reported that a notice of public hearing was published in The Daily Reflector on April 28 and May 5, 2003 setting this time, date and place for a public hearing to consider a request by the Planning and Community Development Department to amend “Article J, Planned Unit Development [PUD]” and “Article K, Land Use Intensity (LUI) Development” by deleting the maximum public hearing review and action period, which currently requires the Planning and Zoning Commission to take final action on PUD and LUI special use permit applications within sixty-five days of the initial hearing date. The Planning and Zoning Commission voted to recommend approval of the request at its April 15, 2003 meeting.

Mr. Hamilton stated that the proposed ordinance deletes the automatic approval language imposed by the current procedural requirement. Under the proposed amendment, the Commission may continue a request for a PUD or LUI special use permit for further study and evaluation as deemed necessary.

Mayor Parrott declared the public hearing open and solicited comments from the audience. There being none, the public hearing was closed.

Motion was made by Council Member Dunn and seconded by Council Member Little to adopt the ordinance amending “Article J, Planned Unit Development [PUD]” and “Article K, Land Use Intensity (LUI) Development” by deleting the maximum public hearing review and action period, which currently requires the Planning and Zoning Commission to take final action on

PUD and LUI special use permit applications within sixty-five days of the initial hearing date. Motion carried unanimously. (Ordinance No. 03-41)

ORDINANCE ANNEXING COVENGTON GROUP, LTD. PROPERTY (COVENGTON DOWNE, BLOCK A, LOT 1) LOCATED AT NORTHEASTERN CORNER OF INTERSECTION OF ARLINGTON BOULEVARD AND TURNBURY DRIVE - ADOPTED

City Manager Davis reported that a notice of public hearing was published in The Daily Reflector on April 28, 2003 setting this time, date and place for a public hearing to consider a request by Covengton Group, Ltd. to annex Covengton Downe, Block A, Lot 1 involving 1.501 acres located at the northeastern corner of the intersection of Arlington Boulevard and Turnbury Drive. This is a contiguous annexation.

Motion was made by Council Member Craft and seconded by Council Member Council to excuse Mayor Pro-Tem Miller from voting on this request because of a conflict of interest. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Merrill Flood, Deputy Director of Planning and Community Development, delineated the property on a map and stated that the property is located in Voting District 5. The property is currently vacant and the proposed use is an office. The current and proposed population is 0.

Mayor Parrott declared the public hearing open and solicited comments from the audience. There being none, the public hearing was closed.

Motion was made by Council Member Little and seconded by Council Member Council to adopt the ordinance annexing Covengton Downe, Block A, Lot 1 involving 1.501 acres located at the northeastern corner of the intersection of Arlington Boulevard and Turnbury Drive. Motion carried unanimously. (Ordinance No. 03-42)

ORDINANCE ANNEXING JONATHAN AND DARLENE ROSE PROPERTY (HUNGATES COMMERCIAL PARK, LOT 7) LOCATED ON THE EASTERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF HUNGATE DRIVE, SOUTH OF OLD FIRE TOWER ROAD - ADOPTED

Consideration of City Manager Davis reported that a notice of public hearing was published in The Daily Reflector on April 28, 2003 setting this time, date and place for a public hearing to consider a request by Jonathan and Darlene Rose to annex Hungates Commercial Park, Lot 7, involving 1.00 acre located on the eastern right-of-way of Hungate Drive approximately 307 feet south of Old Fire Tower Road. This is a contiguous annexation.

Motion was made by Council Member Craft and seconded by Council Member Council to excuse Mayor Pro-Tem Miller from voting on this request because of a conflict of interest. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Flood delineated the property on a map and stated that the property is located in Voting District 5. The property is currently vacant and the proposed use is an expansion of Roses Gymnastics. The current and proposed population is 0.

Mayor Parrott declared the public hearing open and solicited comments from the audience. There being none, the public hearing was closed.

Motion was made by Council Member Council and seconded by Council Member Dunn to adopt the ordinance annexing Hungates Commercial Park, Lot 7, involving 1.00 acre located on the eastern right-of-way of Hungates Drive approximately 307 feet south of Old Fire Tower Road. Motion carried unanimously. (Ordinance No. 03-43)

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN OPERATING AND CAPITAL GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE GREENVILLE AREA TRANSIT (GREAT) SYSTEM - ADOPTED

Ms. Nancy Harrington, Transit Manager, stated an application has been prepared for the City to receive grant funds from the Federal Transit Administration for expenses of the transit system. Section 5307 Mass Transit funds are available to urban areas with populations of 50,000 to 200,000 to reimburse the City for one-half of the transit operating deficit and eighty percent of capital expenditures. Total federal grant funds available for Greenville are \$865,922 to cover operating and capital reimbursement. Of those federal funds, \$709,922 will be for operating and \$156,000 will be for capital. Staff is proposing that the total amount allocated to Greenville be set aside to assure expenses associated with GREAT are reimbursed to the City to the maximum extent possible. For the upcoming budget year, staff is proposing that the total amount allocated to the City be set aside to assure expenses associated with the transit system are reimbursed to the City to the maximum extent possible. For the upcoming budget year, staff is proposing to use \$442,802 of the grant funds and \$192,571 of general fund dollars. In order to take advantage of the available \$865,922, the City would have to expend approximately \$586,330 of general fund dollars in operating expenses or if used for capital items, the general fund requirement would be \$291,011.

Mayor Parrott declared the public hearing open and solicited comments from the audience. There being none, the public hearing was closed.

Motion was made by Council Member Council and seconded by Council Member Little to adopt the resolution approving the submittal of an operating and capital grant application for the Greenville Area Transit (GREAT) System. Motion carried unanimously. (Resolution No. 03-19; Document No. 03-01)

CONFIRMING OF TWO GRANT APPLICATIONS - APPROVED

City Manager Davis explained that there were recently submission deadlines for two grants that occurred before the May Council meeting. The grant applications had to be made prior to this meeting. He asked the Council to confirm the following:

- 1) A grant application for four police officers to the US Department of Justice COPS Universal Hiring program. Part of the questions on this application dealt with how the City would use the officers to address homeland security and anti-terrorism issues.

- 2) A grant application to 3M Corporation for \$100,000 for technology to be used for citizens' dial-up demand for information and service.

If the Council has a problem with either of these, the application(s) will be withdrawn.

Motion was made by Council Member Council and seconded by Council Member Craft to approve the submittal of a grant applications to the U. S. Department of Justice for four police officers to the 3Com Corporation for a \$100,000 grant for technology to be used in the areas for citizens' dial-up demand for information and service access as well as information access at City public facilities. Motion carried unanimously.

REPORT REGARDING PLANNED CITIZEN MEETINGS FOR THE WEST GREENVILLE REVITALIZATION AREA

Mr. Andy Harris, Director of Planning and Community Development, stated that staff is continuing to meet with residents and other interested citizens to discuss and receive input on the Cherry View, Biltmore, Perkins Town and Lincoln Park Revitalization Program. The advertised meetings have been well attended with attendance ranging from 20 to 50 people. Approximately 150 flyers were distributed door-to-door and to churches, daycare centers and businesses as well as having been placed in the City Page. Staff has met nine times since March 25 and there are two more scheduled meetings to be held. Additional meetings will be added as needed. In addition to those meetings, a meeting has been scheduled with members of the Black Ministers Association. The consolidated plan will be brought back to Council in June. There will be a more detailed plan that we will continue to work on with neighborhoods. Meetings are going well. Each parcel will be addressed in a one to two year plan. General information will be available next month.

Council Member Glover commended the staff on having good meetings in the community and for spending the time to answer questions. This has helped tremendously.

RESOLUTION OF CONSIDERATION IDENTIFYING AREAS UNDER CONSIDERATION FOR ANNEXATION - ADOPTED

Mr. Merrill Flood, Deputy Director of Planning and Community Development, stated that as part of Greenville's annexation process, the City Council has elected to adopt a resolution of consideration, which identifies those areas in and around the city that may be considered for annexation into the corporate limits at a future time. This is especially important for areas that the City initiates annexation on. The resolution of consideration is valid for two years and City Council must renew the resolution every two years to prevent expiration. The City Council adopted the last resolution on May 10, 2001.

Motion was made by Council Member Little and seconded by Council Member Craft to adopt a resolution of consideration which identifies those areas in and around the city that may be considered for annexation into the corporate limits at a future time. Motion carried unanimously. (Resolution No. 03-20)

ORDINANCE FOR GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION ELECTRIC CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET FOR WACHOVIA BUILDING/GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION ADMINISTRATIVE FACILITIES – ADOPTED

Motion was made by Council Member Craft and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Miller to adopt an ordinance for a Greenville Utilities Commission Electric Capital Projects Budget for the Wachovia Building/Greenville Utilities Commission Administrative Facilities. Motion carried unanimously. (Ordinance No. 03-44)

RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN EQUIPMENT AS SURPLUS TO CITY'S NEEDS AND AUTHORIZING DISPOSAL BY SEALED BIDS - ADOPTED

Mr. Roy Spell, Fire/Rescue Chief, asked the Council to declare a 1992 EMS unit as surplus and to authorize disposal by sealed bids with a minimum bid of \$4000.

Motion was made by Council Member Craft and seconded by Council Member Council to adopt a resolution declaring certain equipment as surplus to City's needs and authorizing disposal by sealed bids. Motion carried unanimously. (Resolution No. 03-21)

RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN PROPERTY AS SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING ITS DISPOSITION TO FIRE DEPARTMENTS IN PITT COUNTY - ADOPTED

Motion was made by Council Member Craft and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Miller to adopt a resolution declaring certain property as surplus and authorizing its disposition to fire departments in Pitt County. Motion carried unanimously. (Resolution No. 03-22)

AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR 2003 STREET RESURFACING - APPROVED

Mr. Tysinger explained to the Council that sealed bids for the 2003 street resurfacing project were scheduled to be opened on March 25 at 10:00. Since only one bid was received, staff re-advertised. Funding for the project in the amount of \$400,000 from the Powell Bill Fund was approved. Greenville Paving Company was the apparent low bidder with a bid of \$467,952.64. Following a review of the proposals, it was determined that their proposal exceeded budgeted funds. In an effort to stay within budget, one street (a portion of Martinsborough Road) was deleted from the original project list to reduce the overall contract amount. As part of the project, Greenville Utilities Commission will be reimbursing the City for adjustments to utilities affected by the resurfacing \$37,509.76. The total project budget is \$387,663 for approximately five miles of street. It is requested that the contract be awarded to Greenville Paving Company in the amount of \$404,922.76 of which Greenville Utilities Commission will reimburse the City \$37,509.76. The project will begin after Memorial Day and go through the summer.

Motion was made by Council Member Craft and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Miller to award a contract to Greenville Paving Company in the amount of \$404,922.76 of which Greenville Utilities will reimburse \$37,509.76 to the City. Motion carried unanimously. (Contract No. 1252)

AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE RIVER PARK NORTH
SCIENCE AND NATURE CENTER - APPROVED

Mr. Tysinger informed the Council that bids were opened on April 23, 2003 for construction of the new Science and Nature Center to be located at River Park North. There were ten bidders and Barco Building Systems, Inc. was the low bidder with a base bid of \$890,000. Upon reviewing the bid, Barco identified an error that amounted to \$125,374.50 and submitted documentation to substantiate this error. It is recommended that City Council allow them to withdraw their bid and to award the contract to Brown Building Corporation, who was the next low bidder with a base bid of \$957,600. Included as an alternate in the bid package was a remote restroom facility to be located away from the new center. Brown's proposal for this alternate was \$28,000. It is recommended that that be included as part of the contract award, making a total construction contract of \$985,600. The total expenditures for reconstruction of the Nature Center are projected to be \$1,520,000.

Mayor Pro-Tem Miller was asked to assist in the process.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Miller and seconded by Council Member Little to approve Barco Building Systems, Inc.'s request to withdraw their bid from consideration for the project and to award a contract to Brown Building Corporation in the amount of \$985,600 for the construction of the new Science and Nature Center and construction of the restroom. Motion carried unanimously. (Contract No. 1253)

City Manager Davis thanked the private donors and stated that they will be recognized at the dedication ceremony.

AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR AUDIT SERVICES - APPROVED

Ms. Bernita Demery, Director of Financial Services, stated that 30 requests for proposals were sent out for the auditing services of the City of Greenville, Greenville Utilities Commission, Sheppard Memorial Library and the Convention and Visitors Authority. Council Members Glover and Little and Greenville Utilities Commissioners Chris Jenkins and Charles Davis assisted in the process, along with other representatives. Advertisements were placed in the Daily Reflector. Three firms sent their proposals back in. It is recommended that the City Council select Martin Starnes & Associates for a five-year term for \$313,250.

Motion was made by Council Member Craft and seconded by Council Member Little to award a contract to Martin Starnes & Associates to provide auditing services for a five-year term to the City of Greenville, Greenville Utilities Commission, Sheppard Memorial Library, and the Convention and Visitors Authority. Motion carried unanimously. (Contract No. 1254)

AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR BANKING SERVICES - APPROVED

Ms. Demery stated that ten requests for proposals were sent out for banking services and an advertisement placed in the Daily Reflector. Four banks responded. After reviewing all qualified bids, it is the recommendation of the committee to award the five-year contract to Wachovia Bank and to approve the resolution authorizing certain officers to conduct banking services on

behalf of the city. Wachovia has been rated very high on customer service and what they have been able to provide for other local governments. The services may result in greater efficiencies in processing and improvements in the utilization of technology.

Motion was made by Council Member Craft and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Miller to award a contract to Wachovia Bank to provide banking services for a five-year term to the City of Greenville and to adopt the resolution authorizing certain officers to conduct banking services on behalf of the City of Greenville. (Contract No. 1255; Resolution No. 03-23)

REPORT ON BIDS AWARDED

City Manager Davis informed the Council that the following bids had been awarded:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Item Description</u>	<u>Awarded To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
3/28/03	Self-Contained Leaf Collector Truck Public Works/Sanitation	Volvo & GMC Truck Center	\$92,101.00
3/28/03	25 CY Rear Load Refuse Truck Public Works/Sanitation	Volvo & GMC Truck Center	\$91,136.95
4/07/03	Parking Services for Downtown Public Works	McLaurin Parking Services	\$13,344.00

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Council Member Glover stated that the Police Community Relations Committee meeting will be held in District 2 at Progressive Free Will Baptist Church on March 14 at 7:00 p.m.

Council Member Council stated that the Convention and Visitors Authority meeting was this afternoon. May marks the first anniversary of the convention center. Electricities will be meeting in 2004 at the convention center. The Pitt Greenville Convention and Visitors Authority and Exhibit Hall Managers are working together to market the center.

Council Member Council announced that her son, Baker, will graduate from Shaw University on May 10.

Council Member Dunn thanked Andy Harris and Merrill Flood for their efforts on the revitalization of West Greenville.

Mayor Parrott thanked the Council for doing their homework so they could have a speedy meeting.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Good News Report

City Manager Davis stated that Kip Gaskins was honored with the title of "Law Enforcement Officer of the Year" by the Kiwanis Club, Captain Janice Harris received her Advanced BLE certificate, and that Special Olympics was very successful.

Cancellation of the May 19, 2003 City Council Meeting

Motion was made by Council Member Craft and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Miller to cancel the May 19 City Council meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Greenville Utilities Commission Tour

City Manager Davis stated that the Greenville Utilities Commission tour will be held on May 27 at 2:35. Dinner will follow the tour.

EMS Service in the County

City Manager Davis stated that Roy Spell, Ron Moore, Chuck Owens, Bill Richardson and he met with the County officials regarding EMS service in the County. They are asking the City to consider a limited amount of service in the service area for next year. City staff expressed concern and reservations about the level of service and response time. There will be additional discussion and the alternatives presented for them to consider. The meeting occurred today, and there will be additional discussions as we seem to move to some sort of mutual agreement.

ADJOURN

Motion was made by Council Member Council and seconded by Council Member Craft to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Wanda T. Elks, CMC
City Clerk